



27th June 2018

Dear Parents,

I'm sure everyone has heard about our amazing 'Arts and Science Week' last week. Each class has focused on a different life cycle which they have explored with their science and arts skills. As well as activities in their classes the children's learning has been enriched with visits to Coombe Bissett Nature Reserve, a visit from local author Barbara Townsend, an upcycling workshop with Wiltshire Wildlife and painting experience with our own Mrs McGuire (Hetty and Alice's mummy). We were delighted to welcome so many families to our learning celebration last Friday with every child presenting some of their learning through music, art, dance, drama and art. The afternoon ended with an opportunity for children and families to explore all the work around the school, including the paintings on the back of our kick boards. I was delighted that so many parents added their own designs to the butterflies. We would like as many parents as possible to decorate a butterfly so, if you haven't managed to do one yet, there will be an opportunity TOMORROW (Thursday 28th June) after school.

I would particularly like to thank Mrs Bowers (Arts Leader) and Mrs Pascoe (Science Leader) for leading the week. I would also like to thank all the parents who helped with different events such as volunteering for our Nature Reserve visits and in particular Ms Poole (Amelia and Florence's Mummy) and Mrs McGuire (Hetty and Alice's mummy). We really do appreciate the support and help given by parents.

Swimming Gala

Last Tuesday Mrs Macaulay, Mrs Welfare (Alice, Emily and Luci's mummy) and I were delighted to take 16 of our KS2 children to the Swimming Gala at Five Rivers. All the children were excellent ambassadors for our school – striving to achieve their best, supporting their teammates, celebrating everyone's achievements. In the Girl's Individual event Freya Taylor represented our school and came 17th while in the Boy's Individual event Harry Scutt represented our school and came 9th; both outstanding achievements. All our relay teams did well with both our Girls Relay teams finishing 4th in their finals and our Boys Relay B team coming away with bronze medals! Congratulations to all the members of our swimming squad: Freya Taylor, Lucy O'Boyle, Martha Davies, Lily Hickin, Lucy Edwards, Julia van Leeuwen, Charlotte Wareham, Dorothy Harrington, Harry Scutt, Luca Mahony, Archie Tidmarsh, Isaac Hepburn, Cameron Boydcamps, Oliver Turner-Kenny, Guy Palmer, Morgan Smith. I must also say a huge thank you to everyone who came to the Swimming Gala to support everyone. Once again, not only did they support the children in our school but they showed that at Coombe Bissett we support and celebrate everyone's achievements.

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Sun Protection

With the arrival of sunnier weather please could I remind parents to ensure that their child is protected at school. Children are encouraged to be safe in the sun so please provide your child with a sun hat, water bottle and sun cream. Please ensure that **all** items are **clearly named** and that the sun cream is in a **roll-on dispenser** (children are expected to apply their own sun cream). Please see below for sun protection guidance as issued by our School Nurse team.

Yours sincerely

Mrs D Cockrean
Head Teacher

Whether you're heading to the beach, playing in the park, or out in your own garden, it's really important to think about sun protection for the little ones.

Exposing your child to too much sun may increase their risk of skin cancer later in life, and sunburn can also cause considerable pain and discomfort in the short term. That's why babies and children need to have their skin protected between March and October in the UK.

1. Stay in the shade when possible - Stay out of the sun between 11am and 3pm. Use a parasol or play tent. Cover up with long sleeves and loose clothing.

2. Use a good sunscreen - Apply sun cream to all exposed skin 30 minutes before heading out. Use plenty and don't forget shoulders, back of the neck, tops of ears, noses, cheeks and tops of feet. Choose a sunscreen that has SPF of at least 15, and at least 4 stars for UVA protection. Top up every 2 hours, especially between swimming or paddling.



3. Always pack a sunhat - Use a floppy sunhat that protects the face and neck whenever out in the sun. Wearing a hat yourself can really encourage your child to follow suit.

4. Drink lots of water - Make sure there is access to water throughout the day, especially in warm weather and encourage regular drinks, particularly when running around.



Remember **'Slip'** on a t-shirt, **'Slap'** on a hat and **'Slop'** on some sun cream!

For more information about staying safe in sun call and ask to speak to our School Nurses office on 0300 247 0090 or visit www.nhs.uk and search sun safety tips.

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CLUB DATES

Mon (3.30pm-4.30pm)	Netball – Jul 2 nd , 9 th
Mon & Tues lunchtimes	French – Jul 2 nd /3 rd , 9 th /10 th , 16 th
Tues (3.30pm-4.30pm)	KS2 Cricket – Jul 3 rd , 10 th
Tues (3.30pm-4.30pm)	KS1 Cricket - Jul 3 rd , 10 th
Weds lunchtimes	SHAPE - Jul 4 th , 11 th
Weds (3.30pm-4.30pm)	School Choir – Jul 4 th , 11 th
Thurs lunchtimes	Gardening Club – June 28 th , Jul 5 th , 12 th
Thurs (3.30pm-4.30pm)	Football - June 28 th , Jul 5 th , 12 th
Thurs (3.30-4.30pm)	Yoga - June 28 th , Jul 5 th

TERM DATES

June	28 th	Y6 Chalke Valley History Festival
July	3 rd	Elm Class Trip – Hillier Gardens, Romsey
	4 th	Oak Class Trip – Harnham Water Meadows, Salisbury
	5 th	Y6 Leavers Service at Salisbury Cathedral
	11 th	Sports Day
	12 th	Y5 Trafalgar Masterclass
	18 th	KS2 Performances 2pm & 6pm
	19 th	Reserve Sports Day
September	25 th	Leavers Service 10am – followed by Whole School Picnic and school finishes at 1.15pm
	3 rd	Inset Day (School Closed)
	4 th	Inset Day (School Closed)
	5 th	Term 1 Commences

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